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SUBJECT: IMCO - DOCUMENTATION FOR SECOND SESSION OF  
WORKING GROUP ON HEADQUARTERS, FACILITIES, AND  
ACCOMMODATIONS

1. SECRETARY GENERAL'S ESTIMATE OF IMCO REQUIREMENTS OVER  
NEXT TEN YEARS APPEARS TO BE SOUND FORECAST, WHICH MEETS  
REQUEST TO HIM TO PROVIDE "HYPOTHESIS" OF FUTURE IMCO NEEDS.  
WE FEEL, HOWEVER, FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS SHOULD BE INJECTED  
INTO WORKING GROUP'S CONSIDERATIONS:

2. AS IMCO WILL NOT HAVE CONTINUOUS NEED FOR MAIN CONFER-  
ENCE ROOM, PLANNING MIGHT WELL ENVISAGE SITUATION IN WHICH  
EITHER IMCO FACILITIES AS A WHOLE WOULD BE INCORPORATED  
INTO MORE GENERAL CONFERENCE FACILITY IN LONDON, OR IMCO  
MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM WOULD BE SO LOCATED THAT IT COULD  
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READILY BE SUB-LET FOR NON-IMCO ACTIVITIES WHEN NOT REQUIRED

BY IMCO.

3. WE SUGGEST WORKING GROUP CONSIDER IN ANY NEW CONSTRUCTION PLANNING POSSIBILITY AS WORK OF IMCO EVOLVES THAT NUMBER OF ACTIVE MEMBERS MIGHT WISH TO ACQUIRE SPACE IN HEADQUARTERS FOR LIAISON OFFICERS AND MEETING PLACE FOR NATIONAL DELEGATIONS. PENDING SUCH REQUESTS FROM MEMBERS, SPACE IN EXCESS TO IMCO HEADQUARTERS NEEDS PRESUMABLY

COULD BE SUB-LET.

4. SINGLE LOUNGE AREA OF SIZE ENVISAGED MAY NOT BE ADEQUATE PROVISION TO SUPPORT DELEGATIONS IN A COMPLEX HOUSING TWO CONFERENCE ROOMS PLUS TWO MEETING ROOMS.

5. AUGUST 7 ADDENDUM TO DOCUMENTATION, JUST RECEIVED, APPEARS TO TAKE ACCOUNT IN PART OF FOREGOING CONSIDERATIONS, AND IN OUR VIEW PROVIDES IMPROVED BASIS FOR WORKING GROUP CONSIDERATION. IN RESPONSE TO THREE POINTS ON WHICH SECRETARY GENERAL REQUESTS GUIDANCE (PARA. 14) OUR PRELIMINARY VIEWS ARE: (A) PLANNING FOR 650 SEAT CAPACITY FOR MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM WOULD BE PRUDENT; (B) ALLOWING TOTAL AREA OF SOME 12,000 SQUARE FEET FOR COMMITTEE ROOMS DESIRABLE, BUT RECOMMEND THAT FACILITY BE DESIGNED TO EXTENT POSSIBLE TO PERMIT DIFFERENT CONFIGURATIONS OF SIZE AS CIRCUMSTANCES MAY REQUIRE (SOME SLIDING PARTITIONS AND SOME NON-BEARING WALLS FOR EASY FUTURE ENLARGEMENTS); (C) PLANNING SHOULD BE FOR TWENTY YEAR PERIOD, ESPECIALLY IF NEW CONSTRUCTION IS CONTEMPLATED. RE FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (PARA. 18), WE WOULD WISH IN FIRST INSTANCE TO SOLICIT VIEWS OF U.K. AS HOST GOVERNMENT. IF THERE IS SUPPORT IN WORKING GROUP FOR APPOINTING PROJECT MANAGER TO SECRETARIAT (PARA. 19), BELIEVE SUCH PROPOSAL SHOULD BE EMBODIED AND JUSTIFIED IN INTERIM REPORT TO COUNCIL WHICH SHOULD BE CIRCULATED ADEQUATELY IN ADVANCE OF COUNCIL MEETING TO PERMIT INSTRUCTED CONSIDERATION.

6. WOULD APPRECIATE GENERAL REPORTS OF WORKING GROUP MEETINGS AS THEY OCCUR, INCLUDING IN FIRST REPORT IDENTIFICATION OF PARTICIPANTS AND WORKING GROUP SECRETARY. KISSINGER  
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